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In re application: Chastain et al.

Serial No.: 09/900,551

Filed: July 6, 2001

For: Method and System for
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Electronic Book Highlights and
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Examiner: Ly, Anh

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